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DECATUR REVIEW.

S. S. JACK

THE State Board of Railway Commissioners is to be investigated.

FRIDAY, next, will be devoted to resolutions and addresses by the Hoosier legislature in honor of the late Gov. Williams.

SPRINGFIELD is aroused because of the stench of the Riverton distillery borne to them by the waters of the Sangamon. They prefer the rectified article to slops.

The new asylum at Kankakee only asks an appropriation of $560,000 There are evidently some fine haired fellows running this concern, to make so much money necessary.

FIFTY-SIX republicans in the Pennsylvania legislature will not have Oliver for U. S. Senator. It is not so much opposition to Oliver as to the rule of the Cameron gang.

TOM NICHOL, ex-insurance agent and secretary of the honest money league, claims confidential relations with General Garfield. So did Mrs Jenks with John Sherman.

Two years ago our legislature spent a great deal of time on the drainage law, and now it is proposed to repeal it. Eventually this will become as much muddled as the road law.

AN ex-penitentiary commissioner was around Springfield last week with blood in his eye. He is after the fellows that are in, and claims that the stealings have been out of all reason.

A SERIOUS accident occurred on the Illinois Central between Anna and Makanda the other night. A fireman and brakeman were killed and an engineer seriously injured. The men were obeying orders. The report will doubtless be, no one to blame.

THE legislature has under consideration a bill for the regulation of the sale and carrying of firearms. There is a notorious looseness about the carrying of concealed weapons, but it appears as if we had enough law already. Let the laws be fewer, and then enforce them. To the minds of some people the way to correct an evil is to throw a resolution or a statute at it.

THE hanging of Frank Hester for murder, at Danville, on Friday last, created quite a sensation in that city It was the first execution in the county, and the victim was brought there from Iroquois for trial on a change of venue He was charged with killing his wife. The evidence was circumstantial, though convincing. He denied the bloody deed to the last. The state military were ordered out to keep back the press of the crowd. For this purpose a sheriff's *posse* would seem to be more in accord with the proper theory of the use of the military in our state.

THE St. Louis *Chronicle* says:

"There is another irruption of thieves and highway robbers, mostly of the unskilled and brutal order. The public will never have any toleration for thieves who can't do their work in a way to excite some sort of admiration, or at least claim the merit of ingenuity and deftness. The detectives say they would never look among professional thieves for a man who would strike a woman on the street just for the chance of getting away with her pocket book. It looks a little as though the town for the purpose of seeing what the policy of the new police board would be.

Bernhardt has bought three revolvers and now is safe from attack.

O Yes! O Yes! O Yes!

Can any person show cause why I should not sell to the public three thousand dollars worth of groceries during the next thirty days; let him now object thereto, or henceforth hold his peace.

Of groceries we have a supply,
At prices to induce you to buy.
Sugar, nine to twelve pounds in exchange
or for money,
And of that, too, which is sweeter than
honey.
Of canned fruits, the best that do grow.
Whether raised at the "North" or below
Choice buckwheat flour, the best to be had.
And pure maple sugar to make you glad.
Of coffee plenty at a very low price,
And everything else in groceries nice.
Then come, then come, our prices try,
And when you come you're sure to buy
With a "Happy New Year" to you all,
As "Merry Christmas" is past recall.

E B PRATT.
27, North Church street, Decatur.
Jan4d3m.

Removal.

Miss Emma Williams wishes to inform her many friends and patrons that she has removed her stock of Hair Goods from Central Block to south side of Prairie street, third door from Water. jan18d&wTw

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

A SENATORIAL DEADLOCK.

The Deadlock in the Pennsylvania Legislature, on Senator, still Continues.

An Unusually Interesting Case in the U. S. District Court at Lynchburgh, Va., Which Shows the Color Line.

Gambetta Re-Elected President of the French Republic—One Scored for the Irish.

No Coalition.

HARRISBURG PA., Jan. 23.—The democrats of the legislature, with a few expections, will not take the coalition dose prepared by some of their leaders. Hence the solid democratic vote for Senator Wallace on the fifth ballot. They cannot see the propriety of any scheme tending to help the republicans out of their snarls, and will be found voting for their caucus nominee with monotonous regularity. They argue that if the republicans desire the dead-lock to be broken, they can be accommodated by uniting with the democrats in supporting Wallace. The bolting republicans were a little apprehensive that the democratic commercial contingent might be sufficiently formidable to elect Oliver with the republicans, but now the feel relieved of all danger, and maintain they will be able to dictate the election of a senator. Two of the Grow adherents have shown the white feather, but their defection was anticipated, and excited no surprise. The other bolters, numbering 56, it is confidently predicted, will not yield an inch to the regulars, who cannot conceal their fears that they will have to withdraw Oliver before they can reasonably expect success and then it would be virtual defeat.

A Singular Suit for Damages.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Jan. 23.—Suit has been brought in the United States district court in behalf of Mattie T Whitlow, a white girl living in Cumberland county, by her prochein ami, Nelson A Anderson. Miss Whitlow, it appears, has lived for some time in the family of a negro widower as nurse and house servant, being treated and considered as one of the household, though nothing specific was alleged as to criminal conduct or character. This mode of life tended to injure her reputation in the neighborhood. After leaving the house of Coleman, the negro, the girl entered one of the public schools of the county as pupil. Upon which the rest of the scholars all quit attending The teacher of the school applied for information to the school board and was directed to exclude Miss Whitlow. He did so, and she now brings suit for damages, naming a round sum. All parties to the suit are white, but the girl lost character by living with a negro as his servant. As this fact gives the federal court jurisdiction, it will be a point of no small importance. Alexander Rives, who recently caused indictment of state judges for failure to put negroes on their juries will preside at the trial.

Great Britain.

CORK, January 23.—Neil, secretary of the Cork land league, recently summoned on the charge of intimidation by writing threatening letters, has been discharged for want of evidence to sustain the charge. Forty-nine members of the land league have been summoned at Listowe, on the charge of seditious conspiracy.

ANTI-COERCION MEETING.

LONDON, January 23—Joseph Cowen, radical, member of parliament from Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Parnell, will address a public meeting at London on the fourth of February, to protest against coercion.

In consequence of the prolonged debate in the house of commons on the address in reply to the Queen's speech, Brands, liberal, has abandoned his motion in regard to the Transvaal.

The Daily Telegraph announces that Capt. John P. Nolan will withdraw his resignation as home-rule parliamentary whip, on the understanding that he shall be allowed to sit on the liberal side of the house.

Seeking Terminal Facilities.

BOSTON, Jan. 23.—Still another corporation having in view the establishment of docks for ocean terminals is before the legislature for incorporation. The capital is to be $2,000,000, and the purpose is to fit with tracks, elevators, and docks, a plot of land on the west side of East Boston facing Charlestop. Lying between the Marine railway and Chelsea bridge is a lot of land extending from Border street to the water. It is from 600 to 1,000 feet in breadth, three quarters of a mile long, and embraces seventy-one acres, a location three times as large as the Grand Junction yard.

In the legislature, Saturday, a resolution was introduced and referred, calling on the representatives of Massachusetts in congress to advocate governmental control of the telegraph.

Sugar for Garfield.

ST. PAUL, January 22.—The sugar-cane growers of Minnesota in convention at Minneapolis have unanimously adopted the following resolution:

As a proof of the encouragement we feel, and as indicative of our prospects of success, a barrel of the sugar on exhibition will be sent to President-elect Garfield with our compliments, suggesting, as it does, not only the care of protection which the government should extend to so great an industry, but the now famous maxim of the distinguished recipient, "Nothing succeeds like success."

France.

PARIS, Jan. 23.—Theodore D. Hollean, the French priest theologist and writer, is dead, in his 82d year.

Gambetta, being re-elected president of the chamber of deputies, received 262 votes, three more than he received in 1880, when his friends sought to explain the falling off by alleging the election was hurried. The extreme left evidently did not vote for him, as forty-five votes were thrown away on other persons.

Agricultural.

FREEPORT, Ill., Jan. 23.—The state grange has concluded its session, and the majority of the delegates left for their homes on to-day's trains. The last business of the session was the re election of Mr. J. R. Shaver, of Ottawa, as a member of the executive committee, and the passage of resolutions expressing thanks to the Stephenson county grangers for their kind hospitality.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Nickle plated 7 shooters at $1 00 and other goods in proportion, at the new gun store, two doors east of P. O. o25-3m.

Mrs. Bentler, 78 Delaware Place, Buffalo, N. Y., says: I have used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for Neuralgia and found permanent relief from its use. d&w1w

A large invoice of fall and winter lap robes, handsome patterns, just received and for sale at the lowest prices by s15dwtf J. G. Starr & Son.

There is nothing so difficult as the art of advice agreeable, and there is no advice more generally endorsed by the public than to use Spring Blossom in cases of dyspepsia, billiousness or disordered stomach. d&w1w

C. W. Challis, post office block keeps the most complete assortment of boots and shoes in the city, and is bound to sell if low prices will do it. d&wtf.

Fine stationery for ladies—A splendid assortment of the very latest New York styles, just received at J. M. Stookey &Co's. d&w

Go to Dr. Stoner's for Mrs. Freeman's New National Dyes. For brightness and durability of color are unequaled. Color from 3 to 8 pounds. Price, 15 cents. tf

The genuine New York saddle rock and Baltimore selects, served in any style, at the Oyster Bay Restaurant No. 3, Water street. Cole & Hodges proprietors. dec22d&w

Speaking by signs is never [aloud] allowed neither is any impurities of the blood allowed to speak in the shape of pimples or blotches when Spring Blossom is taken. d&w1w

Photographs down to stay at Well's gallery. Photos from 50 cents to $1.00 per dozen, cabinets $3.00 per dozen, any style, now go if you want them. 16d1w-w1mo.

That was a clever boy, who said that he liked a good rainy day, "too rainy to go to school, and just rainy enough to go fishing." They were clever Chemists who discovered and compounded Spring Blossom, Sovereign cure for dyspepsia and derangement of the stomach. d&w1w

Van Stone & Crosby Wholesale and Retail druggists, Toledo, Ohio, says: —We have sold large quantities of the Excelsior Kidney Pad, and have been surprised at the unvarying satisfaction given by them.—See Adv.

J. F. Newcomer, of Toledo, Ohio, says: I have been greatly benefited by wearing an Excelsior Kidney Pad, and would recommend all persons troubled with weak kidneys to try it. *See Adv.*

Persons desiring to learn the art of cutting children's and ladies clothing by the *magic Scale System*, or those desiring patterns or garments cut and made, will please call *soon* at the magic scale rooms over F. L. Hayes & Co.'s store, as we contemplate a trip to the South. jan 15tf

We wish to inform our customers and the public in general that we keep a full line of notions and ladies furnishing goods. A great many of our customers having been misled by parties telling them that we keep millinery goods only, we therefore wish to inform you of the above facts. Please call and see our goods in this line as we will offer you special bargains BRAR & EINSTEIN. d&wtf

Wanted.

A good strong boy to work in my furniture store. He must be strictly reliabl and come well recommended.

E. HOUSTON.

Old Revere House block, 24. Franklin street. jan18 d&wtf

A Card.

I have an assortment of gas fixtures, chandeliers, store pendents, brackets and globes which I will sell at cost price, to close out the stock.

d&w H. MUELLER.

Sold Out.

Having disposed of my stock in the harness and saddlery business, I desire to effect a settlement with my patrons at the earliest day possible, and this is to notify them that I can be found at the drug store of Walters & Tyler, on the south side of the city park, where I shall be pleased to see my friends. I desire also to say to them that I shall soon resume business, with a nice new clean stock throughout, embracing every variety of goods in my line of trade, which I shall sell at figures which cannot be discounted here or elsewhere. When again open for business I hope to receive calls from all my former patrons and from hosts of new ones. Respectfully,

jan4d&wtf J. W. TYLER.

A Card to My Friends.

Mr. Houston, of the Old Revere House Block, wants it understood that he has no rents to pay, and will always give his customers the benefit of the same. His prices are, and will be for some time to come, as follows:

Good wood-seat chairs $1.75 per sett. The finest, woven-seat chairs in town, $5.00 new beds, $6.00; matresses $2 50. In glass and queensware and stoves, I defy competition. Second hand goods bought and sold or exchanged. E. HOUSTON,

OLD REVERE HOUSE BLOCK, NO. 24, FRANKLIN STREET. j18d&wtf

Notice.

Peter Perl, the undertaker, has removed his residence from West Wood street to the building two doors south of May's grocery store on South Main street. Calls by night or day will receive prompt attention. Mr Perl has recently purchased this property and will improve it for his permanent home. tf

Kersmeyer and O'Neill

Have engaged one of the best gunsmiths of Chicago and are now prepared to do all kinds of repairing at reasonable prices. All work warranted. o25-3m

Wanted

Immediately, a good girl to take care of children; also a dish washer. Apply at the St. Nicholas hotel. d2t

Gold Papers.

Choice patterns, 25 to 80 cents per roll, not half the usual price, for 60 days only ABLE & LOCKE.

d&w9w

Epitaph on Roger Bacon.

One day whilst trying his corns to mow off
His razor slipped and cut his toe off
The wound soon grew to mortifying,
That was the cause of Rogers dying,
He might quite easily have saved his Bacon.
d&w1w

Royal Spendthrifts of the People's Money.

We have under one Government and under one flag a territory larger than that ruled by a dozen Governments in Europe; and the difference in the salaries paid to kings and royalty, and those paid the servants of the people in our republic are striking.

The Czar of Russia gets $8,250,000 a year, or $25,000 a day. The Sultan of Turkey gets annually $6,000,000, or $18,000 per day. Napoleon III. had a salary of $2,000,000 annually, or $14,000 each day. Francis Joseph of Austria receives $4,000,000 a year, or $10,000 a day. King William, of Prussia, is paid $3,000,000 per year, and Victor Emanuel $2,400,000; and Good Queen Victoria manages to live on $2,200,000. Now, in addition to these salaries, each sovereign is furnished with a dozen or more first-class residences free of cost.

In this country our president only gets $50,000 a year—just as much as the Czar of Russia gets in two days. General Sherman receives in all, some $18,000 per year—only a fraction more than the Sultan of Turkey gets each day. The whole expense of an American Congress for a session of six months, will not exceed—incidentals and all—$4,000,000. The people of this country complain of hard times. Let them study the pauperism of England, and our word for it, they will deem the condition of our poorer classes a comparatively happy one.

A Blind Rat Led by a Straw.

[Columbus (Ga.) Enquirer-Sun]

Since our notice of the extraordinarily large rat at the police station with voice like a human, we have heard many rat stories. One told by a reliable gentleman we think worthy of repeating.

He says some years ago he was living at a farm, the barn of which was burned, and with it many rats. Some of the little fellows escaped, however, with serious injuries, and took up their abode under piles of lumber near a creek. At this place the strange circumstance he tells of occured. One came out, drank, and returned with a straw in his mouth. Walking up to the lumber, he pushed this straw under, and presently another came out, holding the other end of the straw. The first then started for the creek, leading his companion (who was afterward found to be blind) to the water. After the blind one had drank, they returned in the same manner. The gentleman says he witnessed the proceeding, and will vouch for the truth of the statement.

It is proposed to convert Manchester, England, into a seaport for the largest steamers, at a cost of $16,000,000.

A Parisian Tragedy.

[Paris Paper]

A tragedy in one act and two minutes. Scene: A sitting-room, with a sofa and a door L. Dramatis personæ: On the sofa, a lady; with his arm around her waist, a gentleman.

The door opens. Enter L., a second gentleman, with a practical carpet-bag in his hand. Perceiving the two lovers he raises his hands to heaven and for a moment is frozen with horror; then drawing a revolver aims at the guilty pair. The revolver—Bang! bang!! (goes off, L.) The lady—"Oh!" (dies.) The gentleman—"Ah!" (dies.) Second gentleman, rushing forward and examining the corpses—"Great Heavens! I mistook the flat; this is the newly married couple's room down stairs." (Quick curtain.)

Methodist Strength.

[Cincinnati Gazette.]

It is not true, as Mr. Froude states, that "The Roman Catholic body is the largest, strongest, and wealthiest in the Union." The Methodists alone have six times as many churches as the Catholics, and the Baptists more than three times as many. The Methodists have more than three times as many church sittings as the Catholics, and the value of their church property exceeds that of the Catholics by nearly $9,000,000. These figures suffice to show how far Mr. Froude exaggerates the relative importance of the Catholic Church in this country. Within the last century the Methodists have grown more rapidly, and they are to-day more numerous than the Catholics.

THE MARKETS.

The following are the closing quotations of Chicago prices, as reported at the Priest House

	Feb.	March.	May
Wheat	[illegible]	[illegible]	1 00¾
Corn	37¾	38¾	40
Oats	31¾	31¾	[illegible]
Lard	8 87½	9 00	
Pork	13 82½	13 47½	
Rye			
Barley			

Decatur Markets.

The following are the current prices in this market paid by dealers except flour which is the price at mills:

FLOUR AT MILL.	
White Wheat	$ 25
X X X ⅌ cwt	3 00
White Lea ⅌	3 75
Corn Meal, per bush	60
GRAIN.	
Wheat, White	85
Corn, per bush	33
Oats, "	26
THE GROCERY.	
Sweet Potatoes, per peck	15
White Beans (navy)	2.00
Eggs ⅌ doz	25
Butter—Choice Dairy, ⅌ lb	15@16
MEATS.	
Cattle—Common, per cwt	3 00@4 00
Hogs—Live, per cwt	4 00@4 00
Calves—Live, per cwt	4 00@4 50
Sheep—Live, per cwt	4 00
Lard per lb	8@10
Hams	13
HIDES.	
Dry Flint	14@13
Green Country	8½
Green Calf	15
damaged, scored or grubby, two thirds price. Branded, 10 per ct. off.	
POULTRY.	
Chickens, live, per doz	1 75@1 00
" dressed	2 00@2 50
Turkeys per lb	5
" " dressed	03
FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET.	
Apples ⅌ bush	50@75
Potatoes	40@50
GRASS SEEDS.	
Timothy per bu	1 75
Clover "	4 25
Retail prices charged by dealers and on the streets.	
HAY.	
Timothy, ⅌ ton	21.00
Prairie, "	5.00@6.00
Slough, "	5.00
FUEL.	
Hickory, ⅌ cord	5.00@5.50
Oak "	4.00@4 50
Coal, soft	4 00
Coal, hard	5 00

Legal Notices.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the seventh day of February next, I shall attend before the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day for the purpose of settling and adjusting all claims against the estate of Stephen F. Biddle, late of said county, deceased, when and where all claimants are notified and requested to attend and present their claims in writing against said estate for adjustment All persons indebted to said estate are also notified to make payment to the undersigned without delay.

December 22, 1880. ALFRED R. BIDDLE. Administrator
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MASTER'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss.
MACON COUNTY, }
MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

John Trainer county superintendent of schools vs. David L. Allen et. al. No 10853.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of decretal orders entered in the above entitled cause in said court at the December term 1879 and December term A. D. 1880, I, John A Brown, Master in Chancery for said court, on Thursday the 20th day of January A. D 1881 at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day, shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the west door of the court house, in Decatur in said county, the following described real estate situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, to-wit: Seventy (70) feet off of the north side of lot one (1) in block one (1) of the western addition to the town now city of Decatur, Illinois, together with all and singular the tenements and hereditaments thereunto belonging Said premises will be sold subject to redemption.

Decatur, Illinois Dec. 20, 1880.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery for Macon County, Illinois.
Z. T. HUNDLEY, Sol. for complainant. d&w

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that I will proceed on the premises between the hours of 1 and 4 p. m. on on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1881, in conformity with the directions of a decree of the Honorable, the County Court of Macon county, pronounced at its January term, A. D. 1881, wherein I, as administrator of the estate of Morillo G Camron, deceased, as petitioner, and William J. Camron, Orvil Camron and Margaret Camron were defendants, to sell the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, to the highest bidder for CASH in hand, to wit: The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 14, in township sixteen (16). Also, the west half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section fourteen (14), township sixteen (16), all north, one east of the third principal meridian, and also two acres off the south end of the west half of the west half of the east half of section twenty-three (23), in township 16, north, range one, east of the 3d P. M., it being five rods wide and eighty-one rods long. Also, twenty feet in width off of the west side of the west half of the east half of section 23, in township sixteen north, range one east of the third P. M.; such sale to be made subject to present incumbrances as shown by the records. Deed or deeds will be made to purchaser or purchasers, and possession given 1st of March, 1881.

J. H. PICKRELL,
Administrator of the estate of M. G. Cameron.
Dated the 20th day of January, A. D., 1881.

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MONDAY, - - - JANUARY 24, 1881

THE Pennsylvania republicans are very much agitated over the bolt against the rule of the Camerons.

MRS. SENATOR BRUCE is a shrewd one. She has her dresses made by Worth which gives her the entree into fashionable society.

AN effort will again be made at Springfield to consolidate the different divisions of the supreme court of this state. It should be done.

PEORIA is worried over the prospect of losing a portion of its grain trade. The Wabash has secured control of one of its large elevators, and it is said will divert the grain to Toledo markets.

MR. OLIVER, of Pittsburgh, recently brought into note as a candidate for the U. S. senate, is the son of a saddler, was educated in the common schools, was a telegraph boy, shipping clerk, and other similer positions in the upward scale till he has become one of the wealthiest and most successful business men of the Iron city.

THE United States District Attorney, at Salt Lake, Utah, blames congress for the failure to punish polygamy. He says the law makes it necessary to prove the bigamous marriages, which is almost impossible from the fact that they are performed in secret, and the statute of limitations is allowed to run against such marriage.

THE Bloomington *Leader* says: The system of leasing convict labor at low rates, and its effect upon the interests and wages of the working classes is the object of a resolution introduced into the House by Mr. Cook, of Chicago. It was referred to the committee on labor and manufacturers. A good many members are making themselves prominent just now by introducing bills in the terests of the people and the laboring classes. It will be well to watch their course and see whether they get any new light on these subjects when the railroad and corporation lobbies get to work.

THE Bloomington *Leader* is impatient. It says:

"Now that both branches of the State Legislature are equipped with a full list of committ es, it is to be hoped that something may be done in the way of practical legislation. It seems hardly credible but it is nevertheless a fact that the legislature has now been in session two whole weeks, and yet not a single measure of any account has been passed or fairly considered by ei her house."

The *Leader* may as well go slow. It will be several weeks before anything of any consequence will be done. The disgruntled fellows must have time to cool off, and the ardent reformers must have time to have the corners smoothed down or be seen by the other fellows before really practical legislation will make any progress.

A Card, Mr. Wheeler.

(Atlanta Constitution.)

Vice President Wheeler denies a rumor that he is to marry a widow. Has Mr. Wheeler written a card? Nothing short of this will satisfy the American public.

His Noble Rage.

(Kansas City Times.)

James Redpath is getting redder and redder every day. He now pronounces Gladstone "a shallow trickster," and Queen Victoria "an infamous woman." James is a lively lad and gets $100 a lecture.

A Phantom Senator.

(From the Chicago Times.)

Senator Sharon has been entitled, for the six years last past, to wear the toga and sit in the senate, but when he appeared on the floor the other day, scarcely a senator knew him. His absences have been protracted and scandalous; yet he was a candidate for re election.

The General Weeps.

(Washington Dispatch.)

John McCullough has just had a wonderful triumph here at the National Theater as Virginius. For the second time within a week, even standing-room could not be had, and hundreds were turned away. General Sherman, who occupied the private box, was seen to weep.

His Suffering "Nibs."

(Louisville Courier Journal.)

The process of "providing for Grant" is a remarkably slow one. It is probable that nothing will be done by Congress this winter to relieve the hero's sufferings.

Stabbed.

(Globe Democrat.)

The silver dollar has been stabbed in the house of its friends. Congress, which called the base coinage into being, has refused to give it circulation at the expense of the bloated bondholder, and it must accumulate in the treasury vaults until special legislation comes t its rescue. Inasmuch, as the coinage must go on while the coin will not circulate, some such legislation will soon become urgent. It might be well, for a beginning, to pay all salaries of congressmen in silver.

Diamond Tommy.

[Bloomington Courier.]

There is considerable inquiry and not little anxiety, in spots, at Cincinnati, as to the present whereabouts of one Thomas Ambrose—called "Diamond Tommy," for short—recent clerk of the United States circuit court, in that city. Several of his personal friends are considerably interested in him—to the amount of some thousands—they are apprehensive that he may suffer in the inhospitable wilds of Canada, as it is estimated that he has pocketed only about one hundred thousand dollars. Any information on this subject will be thankfully received by his friends aforesaid, and no charges paid.

Neutrality.

[N. Y. Sun.]

The Transvaal republic is an inland country; but this fact does not assure British merchantmen against depredations In the Orange Free states and in the republic there are bold Dutch Captains and hardy Dutch seamen; and there is Holland to draw upon for more. A small, swift craft, in a two days' dash on some crowded lane of travel, would do more mischief to the British flag than the Alabama, did in years to ours When chased too close, she would be run ashore, and her officers and crew would find another inexpensive vessel. The vulnerable point of England is in her commercial marine, and the Boers, who have hitherto yielded before their grasping neighbors, will now probably find means to strike it. The sympathy which the Alabama's people got chiefly from the British, the Transvaal flag would get from all the world; and the sympathy would be practical whenever self-interest might permit.

Are our laws sufficient to protect us against reclamations?

The existing laws ought, at any rate, to be interpreted, and sternly enforced.

Spanish Living and Dying.

[Castilian Days.]

The Spanish father is absolute king and lord by his own hearthstone, but his sway is so mild that it is hardly felt. A light word between husband and wife sometimes goes unexplained, and the rift between them widens through life. They cannot be divorced—they will not incur the scandal of a public separation—and as they pass lives of lonely isolation in adjoining apartments, both thinking rather better of each other and of themselves for this devilish persistence.

If men are never henpecked except by learned wives, Spain would be the place of all others for timid men to marry in. The girls are bright and vivacious but they have never crossed, even in school-day excursion, the border lines of the ologies. They have an old proverb which coarsely conveys this idea: That "a Christian woman in good society ought not to know anything beyond her cookery book and her missal."

An ordinary Spaniard is sick but once in his life, and the old traditions which represent the doctor and death as always hunting in couples still survive in Spain. In all well-to-do families the house of death is always deserted immediately after the funeral, and the stricken ones retire and pass eight days in inviolable seclusion. Children are buried in coffins of a gray color, pink, or blue, and carried open to the grave.

A luxury of grief consists in shutting up the house where a death has taken place and never suffering it to be opened again. I once saw a beautiful house and wide garden thus abandoned in one of the most fashionable streets of Madrid. The wife of a certain Duke had died there many years before. The Duke lived in Paris, leading a rattling life, but he would never sell or let that Madrid home. Perhaps in his heart, that battered thoroughfare, there was a silent spot, where, through the gloom of dead days, he could catch a glimpse of a white hand, the rustle of a trailing robe, and feel sweeping over him the magic of love's dream, softening his fancy to tender regret.

A Modest Conductor's Predicament.

[Virginia Chronicle.]

A few nights ago Conductor Verrill of the Virginia and Truckee express train was going through his car when he noticed a lady asleep in her seat. Her head was resting on the window sill and her feet extended to the aisle. Her dress was so badly disarranged that her ankle and a goodly portion of an exquisitely fashioned calf were plainly visible and a number of men a few seats further down were contemplating the scene with evident satisfaction. Mr. Verrill, who always keeps things pretty straight on his train, noticed this, and tapping the woman on the shoulder awoke her.

"Madame, excuse me for disturbing you, but your dress is so disarranged that your ankle is exposed."

"Oh, that makes no difference, sir," replied the lady, smiling sweetly, "it's nothing but cork."

Verrill was in the baggage car in less than four seconds, wiping the perspiration from his brow

When two women with new hats on pass each other on the street there is a pair of back stares made immediately.—[Marathon Independent.

A Tennysonian Retrospect.

[Atlantic Monthly.]

It must come with a shock of surprise to most readers to learn that Alfred Tennyson has reached his seventieth birthday. Some of us can remember when The Two Voices and Locksley Hall and In Memoriam struck a sympathetic cord in our fresh souls, and placed their author, for us, on the highest pinnacle of fame; and it seems as if it were only yesterday that this impression was made. He has led his own generation with such success he has so voiced his mood, he has so imparted to men his own moral conquests and spiritual victories, that we can not think him old, or easily estimate our indebtedness to him.

No poet of the age has been so intimately associated, recluse as he is said to be, with thoughts and feelings throbbing in the life of the time. He has interpreted the nineteenth century on its social and spiritual side, with sufficient breadth to take in its many-sided activity, and with sufficient sympathy and insight to give a manly tone to its spiritual character.

Looked at from his seventieth birthday Tennyson has survived many reputations which for the moment were as brilliant as his own. It is not necessary to dwarf others to make him great, but some who began with him have already disappeared. Alexander Smith and Philip James Bailey awakened expectations which they did not fulfill. His friend, John Sterling, has utterly faded out of sight as a poet, and lives only because Thomas Carlyle wrote his biography. Algernon Charles Swinburne, though a much younger man, has so divided his streaght between prose and poetry that his fame is at a stand-still; and much as we delight in Browning, he has never mastered his idiosyncrasies sufficiently to give us the full strength of what is in him. Clough and Arnold are rather the exponents of a phase of thought than the inspired interpreters of life.

When compared with his contemporaries, Tennyson may be said to have failed again and again in what he early aimed at, but with every new volume he has shown a clear advance upon what was his best before. His genius was at first as wayward as Browning's but he has had the patience and industry to overcome the obstacles which stood in the way of success, and has shown himself worthy to be not only the first among his peers, but the poet laureate of his time.

Hidden Money.

[Youth's Companion.]

In 1730, a wealthy Quaker in Philadelphia, who intended to go to England for several years, was perplexed in attempting to decide what to do with a large sum of money which he had. He did not want to take it with him, and was afraid to invest it in any business in the colonies.

Being of a very suspicious temper, he would not entrust it to the keeping of any of his friends. Finally, he resolved to bury it. If hidden, it would be safe and undiminished when he came back. He enclosed the coins in two earthen jars, and digging a hole in the cellar of his stately house on Fourth Street, buried them and replaced the paving.

In the same year a poor young printer carried on his trade about a square from this man's house. He and his wife lived so frugally that they tasted meat but once a week. At the end of a few months he found that he had a few shillings to spare.

"What shall you do with it?" said his wife, Deborah.

"Buy books," said the young man, promptly.

But he was a shrewd fellow. His shillings would buy but a book or two —a meagre diet for his greedy brain. He persuaded some other young mechanics to add each the same amount to his and to put the books on a shelf for the use of all contributors and their friends.

The few shillings spent by Benjamin Franklin that day gave being to the great Philadelphia Library, which for a hundred and fifty years has helped countless men and women to knowledge.

The Quaker died in England, and his family never found the money. Two years ago, while Irish workmen were digging in the cellar of a warehouse on Fourth Street, they found the earthen jars.

Only a few old coins remained, and they soon were spent for whisky. The bulk of the treasure being in bank-notes or due-bills had crumbled to dust long ago. It was a strange reproduction of the story of the talent put out to usury and buried in a napkin.

A Fisherman on a Tramp.

[New Castle Chronicle.]

Whilst a fisherman named Bill was walking from Grimsby to Sunderland he was overtaken by a young woman traveling the same road. In the course of conversation, she mentioned that she was very hard up, and would be obliged to seek a night's lodging in the nearest workhouse. Eventually, they agreed to go together and ask admission, the woman telling him it would be more readily granted if he stated that she was his wife.

He agreed to do so, and when they did arrive at a workhouse he applied for a night's lodging for himself and wife. They were then sent to their respective domiciles, and next morning while Bill was hard at work stone-breaking—the task usually imposed in return for the accommodation afforded—the workhouse doctor came up to him and said: "Your name is——?" "Yes, sir." That was your wife you brought in last night?" Conceiving it best to stick to his previous statements, Bill replied in the affirmative. "Well, I congratulate you," said the doctor, she was confined this morning at four o'clock!" Bill started, and a cold sensation came over him. However, he finished his work, got his breakfast, and then made for the door, but was there stopped and informed that he would not be allowed to leave the house till his wife was ready to leave also.

"Well," says Bill, when repeating his experience, "they kept me cracking stones for six blessed weeks, till that woman wiv a bundle containing something that kicked up an awful noise was ready to leave the gates wiv me. Aa divvent think aa ivvor ran se hard in me life as aa did efter clearing the toon! Aa hev nivvor seed hor since, an aa's blessed if aa want te!"

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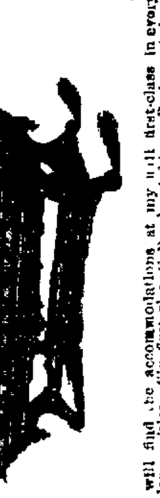

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The Logic of Circumstances.

[Indianapolis Sunday Sentinel.]

Every star that shines upon this earth is hidden from some other world. Every flash of light that, broken and shattered, plays hide and seek with tree and stream is, as far as other portions of the earth are concerned, enveloped in deepest darkness. That which is of advantage to one proves no account to another.

A camp fire on the prairie warms the cold limbs of the disconsolate emigrant, but kills the grass on which it glows. The astronomer's telescope pierces the midnight heavens and reveals countless clusters of beauty, but the vision is purchased at the cost of the life of a tree, and the robbing of the sand bed of some sleepy stream.

The advantage of circumstances is applicable to mankind as well as these objects mentioned. The circumstances does not always make the man. Favorable and fortunate surroundings as frequently breed fools as unfortunate surroundings make men of worth and lights of the world.

A man can become the master of the circumstances which surround him. But he does it by placing his face resolutely toward success and ruthlessly destroying the force of that which would make him unfortunate. Some of the brightest lights of the age, and of all ages, have had most unfortunate surroundings. Not unfortunate to them in reality, but dark and forboding apparently. Homer begged his bread; Dryden lived in hopeless distress and poverty; Chatterton took his own life at 18, through the influence of the gloom that enveloped him. Goldsmith sold one of his best works for a mere trifle to save himself from the grip of the law, and Milton began and finished his life under apparently unfortunate surroundings, dying in obscurity, but giving the world a gem to place in the libraries of the most learned.

The apparently unfavorable surroundings invite effort and effort begets success. Every struggle against the giant which impedes the way of the ambitious strengthens the hold and lifts the feet of him who would climb where fame holds the laural wreath.

The population is constantly shifting. The rich of to day too frequently breed the poor of a later generation, while the poor of the present will become the ancestors of a rich generation by-and-by. So it is mentally. The cloak of Elijah rarely falls on Elijah's son; but, struggling from the lower ranks, there are coming the brightest and best to take front seats and commanding power where now another tribe reigns. Thus the stereoscope of life shifts its scenes; and the reason is patent. When success makes men fat and lazy and independent, degeneracy follows. When failure attacks the ambitious, he but bends his bow the further and flies his arrow till it lodges in the very heart of the prize he seeks.

The Happiest Day in Life

[Home Journal.]

We wonder whether any one has ever thought of the very unfair start which a young married couple get in the race of life when they first commence together. We wonder how far custom has been molded by fashion into folly, and who is responsible for the result? We wonder why it should be that a time when common-sense would be at once natural and most valuable, it should be most rare; or why, when the young couple might be expected to have all their wits about them, they and their friends should suddenly seem to have gone mad? This essay has nothing to do with courtship or love-making.

What is natural is sometimes right and though it seems at first sight strange that admiration of the other sex should cause a strong man to compose weak rhymes, yet, as it has been so for centuries, it will probably remain so forever. A gander rarely looks such a gander as when he is courting a goose. Socrates probably cut a very foolish figure when he made love to Xantippe; and, if there be truth in history, that mighty sage regreted his folly all his life. It is not with love and love-making that this paper has to deal, but with marriage ceremonies, honeymoons, the early or wedded existence, and the many day which is conventionally said the happiest day in a man's life.

Let us see what are the preparations for it. We shall suppose an average case. Great people and rich people may marry as they like, but the ordinary young couple beginning the world, and in a mighty hurry to do so, must marry as other people marry. It is an extensive piece of business, and the expense comes at an awkward time. It would be very pleasant to start with a big purse, and have as much money as possible to buy tables and chairs, and candlesticks, and nutmeg-graters; but the marriage must be paid for before the furniture can be thought of, and certain charges are then indispensable.

It would seem to be impossible to be married without collecting a number of your bride's relatives, and putting upon them the duty of appearing in appropriate dresses. Generally they are your bride's sisters, and some of the funds which should supply her trousseau are deflected for their unnecessary finery. A bridemaid's dress can not be cheap and must not be useful. Its purpose is distinctly decorative and, so to speak, sacrificial. The bride's dress follows the same rule.

Time was when the male sex was restrained by equally rigid rules and a man dared not face the parson and his father-in-law without appearing bound in blue cloth extra. Happily a stand was made [illegible] against this tyranny, and it will seem, that even a cut-away coat is not inconsistent with well regulated connubial bliss. The bride, however must be mysterious in white and emblematic in orange-blossoms.

The Land Question in the British Parliament.

[John Bright in the House of Commons.]

"You have begun this agitation, and it shall not end till a full inquiry has been made—not partial inquiry as you propose, but full inquiry into everything that effects land and the landed interests. And before you have got through with it the country will find that it is the ownership of land in this country which lies at the root of the evil. Two-thirds of the soil of England and Wales are owned by 10,200 persons; two-thirds of Scotland are owned by 330 persons; two-thirds of Ireland are owned by 1,942 persons. I tell the honorable gentleman opposite that he has opened the door, and it can not now be closed. The commission will have to inquire whence comes this gigantic monoply; how comes it that the great bulk of the population are thus divorced from the soil of their native land? The true remedy is to abolish all the ancient, stupid, and mischievous legislation by which you are embarrassed in every step you take in dealing with land owners."

How Personal Influence Grows.

[Rev. Dorus Clarke.]

Sometime in the last century, a poor woman in England, of whom the world knows but little, had a son, and she poured out her prayers and her tears for his conversion. But he grew up reckless and dissipated and profane. He engaged in the slave trade on the coast of Africa and was perhaps as hopelessly abandoned as any pirate who ever trod the deck of slave trader.

But at last, when all hope had nearly expired, his mother's ceaseless prayers were heard. He was converted to Christ and finally became one of the most eminent ministers in London. That man was the celebrated John Newton. J. Newton, in turn, was the instrument of opening the eyes and bringing to the foot of the cross that moralist and sceptic Thomas Scott afterwards the distinguished author of the commentary on the Bible.

Thomas Scott had in his parish a woman of the most delicate sensibilities and whose soul was [illegible] the issues," but he was dyspeptic and sorrowful, and despairing. At times he believed there was no hope for him, and that he should certainly go to hell. After long and repeated efforts, Dr. Scott led him trembling to the great physician. The darkness broke away, and the true light" shone. That man was William Cowper, the household christian poet whose sweet, delightful hymns have lured hundreds of sinners and the most polluted, to the

"Fountain filled with blood
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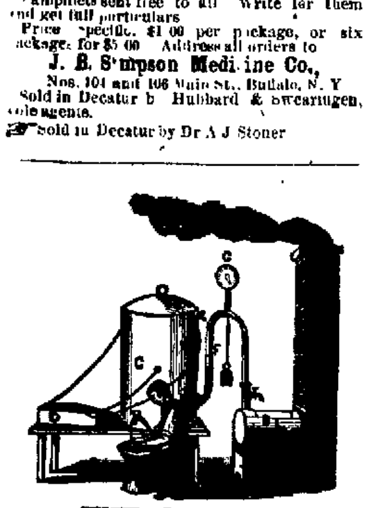

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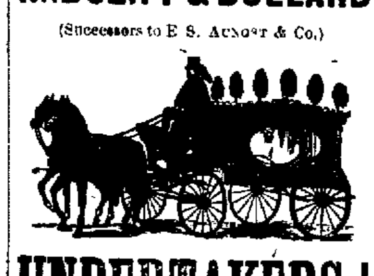

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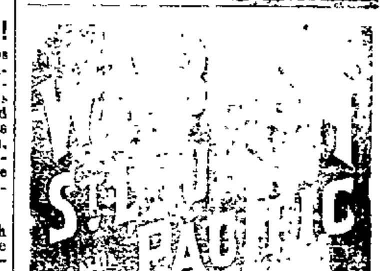

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Bear & Einstein offer special bargains in millinery goods from now until after the holidays. Call and see their prices before buying goods in that line. Dec2tf.

Mrs. C. J Dawkins has removed her business, hair goods and dress making to Mrs. Hamsher's millinery shop in central block where she will be pleased to see her friends.

A good square meal, a delicious lunch, or oysters in any style, may be ha at any hour by calling at Cole & Hodges' Oyster Bay Restaurant. No. 8, North Water street. j3d&w1m

The grand jury have probably caught "Charley" Holmes this time. As "Charles" he escaped, but a bench warrant for "Charley" L. took him in on Saturday.

The celebrated Baker breech-loading shot gun, also, a new line of muzzle loaders and amunition for sale at bottom prices at Kormeyer and O'Neill's, two doors east of P. O. o25-3m

Rev. Rucker, of Clinton, and Rev. W. H. H. Adams, D. D., president of the Illinois Wesleyan University, respectively filled the pulpit of Stapp's Chapel yesterday, in the absence of Rev. Musgrove.

We will sell all milinery goods at cost from this day until the first of April, in order to reduce our stock for spring opening Call and get our prices before purchasing. d&wtf BEAR & EINSTEIN.

Don't you forget it that No. 6 Merchant street is where D. H Hellman has been, and will continue to be in the grocery business, selling all kinds of staple and fancy goods at price as low as the lowest. 15d&w1w.

E. B. Pratt has a few thousand dollars he wishes to exchange for good horses within the next three months. Special days for buying: January 19 to February 20, and March 10 to 17 inclusive, and at any other time convenient to seller, at his place of business, 37 North Church street, Decatur, Illinois. j43m d&w

There is a rumor current that a wedding ceremony recently performed in Macon county needs some little tinkering. It is unfortunate if these things are not done so that they stick.

H. Ward and J. N. Odor shipped three car loads of hogs last week, paying from $4 00 to $4.40 per cwt. They have shipped about twenty loads since the first of November last.

Our neighboring city of Macon is a little inclined to put on airs since it has a newspaper published right on the ground. It is true a newspaper is the making of a town.

The subject of Mr. Headle's lecture at the Universalist church last night was "How to Read and Study Books." This gentleman came here a stranger from New England, but is making a great many friends.

Circuit court will convene this afternoon with Judge Smith on the bench. The Blue Mound cases for violation of the liquor law are set for to-morrow, and about one hundred witnesses are expected.

The comfort and convenience of the new Lutheran church have been the means of increasing the attendance of this congregation. Rev. Mr. Landgraf now hopes to gather together a large society of this religous faith.

The cold brisk breeze from the west kept people away from town somewhat on Saturday, especially those who had to come, and trade was not quite as brisk as it was the Saturday before.

If anybody has not as much ice as they want now is the time to get it. Ice two feet thick piles up pretty fast and it will take but a little while to get a ton. Nobody will need to go without ice next summer.

Rev. W. H. Prestly, at the Presbyterian church, preached a fine sermon yesterday, from the text: "Be courteous." There are many people, professed Christians even, who seem not to know that not only civility but courtesy are taught in the bible.

Circuit court resumes business this afternoon with Judge Smith in the chair. It is thought that the business of the term will occupy one week at least after this. Last Saturday was the thirty-second day of the term

The uncomfortable condition of the audience room of the church prevented the amplification of a very fine sermon by Rev. W. H. Prestley yesterday. It is promised that the room will not be in a similar condition again for some time.

Rev. Mr. Batson, of the Baptist church, preached last night upon the quaint subject, "The Riddle Sampson, and Sampson's Riddle." Mr. Batson is preaching very acceptably to his congregation here.

At the First M.E. Church yesterday the pastor, Rev. Dr. Goodwin, preached two earnest reviv. l sermons. Considerable interest and religious feeling are reported as existing in this church at the present time. Services will be held during the week.

Snow flying in the air on Saturday with a lively breeze from the northwest reminded people that winter still holds the key to the situation, and does not propose to either evacuate or surrender for some time to come.

The constant threatening of snow on Saturday kept the young folks thinking about sleigh riding. Skating is all the rage, and there has been so much of that kind of fun this winter that quite a number of our young people are getting to be experts at it.

A well dressed farmer who got to town quite early on Saturday morning, got so that he needed the entire width of the sidewalk by 9 o'clock in the forenoon. It might perhaps have a cold bath ready for him, when he arrives home in a dilapidated condition.

Two fellows who were filled with whisky raised a lively rattle on the levee Saturday. They undertook to do as they pleased in one of the saloons, but eventually found that they could not run the house. When the sober up, one of them will be a wiser, if not a better man.

Gilmore's mammoth combination will hold forth at the opera house on Tuesday evening greatly to the delight of all who may attend This company has had an immense run in the large cities, carrying everything before it. City papers are loud in their praise of the performance.

A gentleman is in the city from the north part of the state, who proposes to arrange for a grand concert of two or three hundred voices at the tabernacle. He is a skilled teacher of vocal music, and is an adept at training large bodies of singers for mammoth concerts, and we presume he will get up an entertainment of rare merit and attractiveness.

The meetings which had been in progress during last week were suspended on Saturday evening to give the people an opportunity to do their Saturday night errands. We understand the Dr. Goodwin resumes this evening at the First M. E. church, and at the Christian church the meetings are to be continued as last week.

A gentleman remarked to our reporter the other day that the REVIEW was the newsiest and best conducted paper ever published in Macon county, and his view of the matter so nearly corresponds with our own, that we shall have no dispute with him about it, especially as he is a gentleman who is well qualified to judge of such matters.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

George W. Frankhouse to John P Lehn n ½ n e qr, sec 16, town 17, range 2 e: W. D. $3,000.

Nicholas L. Prather to Henry Bishop w ½ of s w qr, sec 26, town 16, range 3 e, com. at n w cor, thence e 2 chains, thence s 6:27 chains to R. R., thence n 72 chains to w line of said tract, thence n 5:69 chains to beginning, and w ½ n w qr, n w qr, sec 35, town 16, range 3 e: W. D. $3,775.

Elizabeth Burkholder to Samuel Funk, lot block 1 J William's add: W. D $2,150.

Richard Seiber to Elizabeth Schanniel lots 1, and 2, block 6, Smith & Co. add: W. D. $550.

Franklin Ward to Richard Seiber, same premises as above: W. D. $550.

A Small Job.

SPRINGFIELD, January, 22, 1881.

A $10,000 printing job was smothered in the house yesterday. The day before an innocent-looking resolution was introduced and passed, ordering a synopsis of the proceedings to be printed for the use of the house. Yesterday it was stated on the floor that the state printer, expert, estimated to do this work under the resolution would cost the state $10,000 for this session being about half the entire cost of all state printing for two years. When this statement was made the house promptly reconsidered its action and sent the resolution to the committee on contingent expenses The mover of it stated that it had been represented to him that the cost would be comparatively trifling, else he certainly would not have proposed any such extravagance, which statement, it is proper to say, is no doubt true, and explains how the resolution got in.

The usual amount of reform measures are being introduced by members anxious to distinguish themselves. The Hinds bill has been introduced in both houses and referred, the ladies, innocent creatures, are happy. They have let up a little for the past twenty-four hours, but will renew their attack next week. They are enthusiastic and demonstrative, while their opponents are quiet and resolute.

The different state institutions are making exorbitant demands. It seems that the old era of extravagance and plunder in vogue before the days of the grangers, is about to be renewed. They are asking much; about all of which they will receive.

The democratic state central committee will meet here at the St. Nicholas hotel on Wednesday the 26 th inst. Other prominent democrats are invited.

On Monday the statesmen will draw the first hundred dollars of their *per diem* They have already drawn the fifty allowed for postage and stationary and have spent it. This hundred dollar item comes very handy every twenty days.

OCCASIONAL.

Birthday Party.

Saturday was the 12th anniversary of Fred. Shellabarger's birthday, and a party was given in honor of the occasion by his parents. About twelve girls and boys were present to help to make the season a pleasant one. Various games were played, electric lantern views were exhibited, and a fine luncheon was served for the boys and girls to make merry with. The party lasted from 7 o'clock to ten. Those who were present are as follows:

Misses, May Stafford, Jennie Malone, Jennie Oder, Rosy Fields, Louie Bear; Masters, Frank Cole, John Freeman, Samuel Malone, Robert Hays, Harry Brayton and Bert Stafford.

Our Coal Shaft.

We have been shown a sample of coal taken from a vein through which Mr. Frorer has just passed at our coal shaft. The vein is about five inches thick and the coal is of a superior quality. Of course this vein is not thick enough to work but it gives assurance that there is coal there. The depth now reached is 860 feet and they are going lower at the rate of from two to eight feet each day. It is not improbable that a paying vein may be reached by March or April, and Decatur people will enjoy the luxury of using their own coal next winter.

There was a large meeting at the opera house last night to hear Mr. T. T. Kendrick, upon the subject of "Model Wives." Provision had been made for excellent music, Prof. Goodman's orchestra being in attendance. The lecture was listened to with the closest attention, and drew out flattering comments from many of those present. At the close the following persons were chosen as a board of managers: L. L. Hayworth, W. H. Bramble, D. Martin, H. E. Foster and J. Archer. They will elect a treasurer. Congregational services next Sunday evening, subject; "Model Mothers."

A gentleman who is teaching school at what has been known as "Devil's bend" called at the REVIEW office on Saturday. He says that the people of that region are so far civilized that the qualifying word has been dropped, and the place is from this time to be known as "the bend". People having occasion to speak of the locality in question wil please take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

PERSONAL.

Michael Wendling, of Shelbyville, is the guest of Mr. John Freeman.

Miss Alice Priest is home from college, spending a few days.

Mr Thos. Hinchcliffe is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brueck.

Hiram Ward, of Wheatland township, was in to see us on Saturday.

Miss Libbie Jack is home on a visit from Peoria, where she is spending the winter with a brother.

Hon. Jason Rogers returned from Springfield on Saturday evening, and sipped his tea at the St. Nicholas.

Rev. T O. Hines, of Maroa, was a caller at the REVIEW office on Saturday last. He reports business good in his burg.

Hon. A. E. Bunn was down town on Saturday, though looking feeble on account of his recent severe illness.

J. R. Miller continues to be quite ill, but last night his symptoms were more favorable.

Mrs. Jane Cackley, of Clinton, died on Friday last. She was 82 years of age, and one of DeWitt county's pioneers.

C. N. Walls, formerly of the *Herald*, of this city, has an engagement on the Paris *Republican* as managing editor.

Miss M. Rainey, of Belleville, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Small, and her uncle, J. M. Rainey, Esq. returned to her home on Saturday.

Elder Richardson, of Assumption is filling the pulpit of the Christian church of this city. He is winning golden opinions from his hearers.

Toby Koelmel, of Blue Mound will not likely be able to attend court this week. He is at the St. Louis college of physicians and surgeons, where he is being treated for a fractured ankle.

The many friends of Byron Phelps, reported injured in the late railroad accident on the Rock Island road, near Tiskilwa, will be pleased to know that he is at home and that his injuries are not serious.

Rev. Mr. Potts, who recently came here from Ohio to take charge of the U. B. church, goes into the pastor's harness naturally, and is proving a very dilligent worker.

Capt. M F. Kanaan arrived in the city on Friday night and registered at Priest's hotel. He has been on an extended trip through the far west, and is direct from Dakota here.

Assistant Marshal Hewes expects to go to Effingham to day to identify the supposed robbers of Persinger & Co.'s store in Maroa. If Jo. gets on a trail he is almost certain to turn up with the fellows in the jug. He is an expert officer.

Mr. A. D. Catlin, of Dewitt county, who was in the city last week proposes to buy property in this township and return here to live if he can find a place that suits him. He wants to get within the city limits. We hope he may see a chance to buy, as he would make a first class citizen.

Mr. Leslie, of Chicago, called upon us on Saturday, in company with Mr. Frank Priest. Mr. Leslie is a musician and wishes to organize a class for a grand concert in this city, some time in the near future. His plan of operation is as follows: He will send a quartette of professional singers to each of several of the surrounding towns, who will form classes, to which instruction in singing will be given for one week. There will be no charges for instruction, but the singers will be expected to join in with a similar and a much larger class formed in this city, in giving the grand concert, the proceeds of which are to pay the originators of the scheme, and what ever other object it may be decided to give a share of the funds. The plan has been put in practice in other localities with profitable results. Its success here, if attempted, will depend largely upon the encouragement the plan receives from our people.

Miss Minnie Palmer.

On Thursday evening of this week this captivating actress will appear at the opera house supported by a company of no ordinary merit. Read below what the Louisville *Courier* says of her and her play.

"Minnie Palmer's Boarding School made a hit—a palpable hit. Minnie as Jessie Fairlove, the spoiled child and mischievous school-girl, completely captivated the audience. She has a beautiful face, a pretty form, and a voice full of sweetness and melody. Her movements are exceedingly graceful and full of vivacity and life, and in many ways resemble Lotta. It can be truthfully said that if the stage loses Lotta, Miss Palmer is the only one that could fill her place. Her singing of the songs "Der Wasserfall" and "Don't You Tickle Me" was excellent.

The Tabernacle.

There were meetings at the tabernacle on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon, at which the principal speaker was J. Hoofstitler, of Sterling, Ills. The speaker is well known in this city, and usually attracts large audiences. We learn that it is his intention to make Decatur his headquarters for some time, from whence he will radiate to the surrounding towns, speaking on temperance.

J. A. Brown, Master in Chancery, had a sale of land of the Hanson estate, west of the city, at the court house door, on Saturday.

J. W. BAKER'S

BULLETIN.

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